



St Paul's Chester Green

Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2014

Services for February

- 2nd Feb 10 am Soul Breakfast (in the Hall)
9th Feb 10 am Contemplative Communion
16th Feb 10 am Soul Sanctuary
8pm Soul Café
23rd Feb 10 am Holy Communion
2nd March 10 am Soul Breakfast (in the Hall)

Sermon Themes and Lent

During January and February we shall be exploring some of the parables in Luke's gospel. Ash Wednesday this year is on 5th March and we will then follow the themes for Lent. In Lent we are planning to meet in local homes for a shared meal, and a chance to explore a bible story together. If you would like to offer your home, please see Michael.

THE HOME OF HOPE Sundar and Sarah and their family are now back in Derbyshire after 6 months in South India. The Home of Hope is developing well and they have now received their first children. We look forward to a visit of Sundar and his family in the Spring – more details soon. (See filmhope.org/index.php?page=home-of-hope)

FUND RAISING – With our Prayer Chapel and Hospitality area still to complete, as well as major roof restoration work, we would appreciate your Fund Raising Suggestions. We will keep you informed of progress on these exciting projects!

THANK YOU for all your generous giving to St Paul's. We rely entirely for our income on giving from our members and from income from hall lettings. Gift Aid of course is vital! HMRC are now stipulating that **Yellow Envelopes** will not be considered valid if all information is not completed. We have small printed cards available on the table at the back of Church which you can place in the Collection Plate if you give by Direct Debit etc.

CONFIRMATION

There is a confirmation service at the Cathedral on Easter Saturday. If you would be interested in being confirmed this year, could you please see Michael

THE SAMARITANS we are looking to promote their work and to recruit potential listening volunteers, and volunteers to support fundraising, maintenance, and all the other jobs required to run the organisation.

Please contact David Brown if you are interested - david.brown.de222@googlemail.com

SOUL EVENTS

Soul Breakfast – 1st Sunday of the month – will follow its usual format of light (but very tasty!) breakfast, coffee, tea etc., Sunday papers, and a theme presented usually with the aid of a film clip or two. We will continue (with the help of a sheep!) with the theme of our journey through life with God – how we start the journey, what we need to keep us going, who we meet etc. Alongside all of this is a craft table for the children following the theme of the day. All most welcome.

Soul Sanctuary continues on the 3rd Sunday of the Month. Coffee and light refreshments available on arrival, and then a short presentation to think and talk about, followed by an informal Communion.

Soul Café is back! A one-off special for Valentines– Sunday 16th

February, 8 pm There will be the usual mix of coffee and cake, great live music, poems, stories and hopefully even a poem from the Soul Café poet laureate. A chance to meet up with friends – and a great place to bring friends. All welcome.

ST PAUL'S PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

Weekdays 9.00 am – 4.00 pm in the Church Hall. The Playgroup offers excellent facilities. We have more children than ever this autumn, but do please keep letting your friends know about this very happy Playgroup as there are more places. Contact Jo on 07803 246488 or email or <http://stpaulsplaygroup.co.uk>

WEDDING

Congratulations of Ryan and Rochelle who are getting married at St.Paul's on Saturday 1st March. Please pray for them and their boys as they prepare for their special day.

Prayer Requests for: Tony Maher (Pat's husband)

Toni Hardington & her family, Roger and his mum, Yvonne, and Brian's mum. We also pray for the Pininty family and the Home of Hope in India, and Lucie Mitton teaching at Capricorn School, Cape Town

Email Prayer Requests for the February Newsletter by 24th February to hardingtons2@ntlworld.com

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